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Insurance Agents Found Guilty of Insurance Fraud

Thanks to the investigative work of the Utah Insurance Department's Fraud Division two insurance agents have been fined and sentenced for acts of insurance fraud.

Dorathy Jo Law, an AFLAC insurance agent, pled guilty to identity fraud, a 3rd degree felony, on August 14, 2014. She was sentenced to 36 months probation and will be required to pay restitution costs of \$4,064 to AFLAC Insurance Company, as well as \$400 to the Insurance Fraud Division for costs of their investigation. Law's insurance license was revoked by the Insurance Department December 31, 2013.

Law, a licensed insurance agent, worked as a manager for a corn maze. While working at the corn maze she obtained personal identification information from 24 employees of the corn maze without their knowledge. She then used the information to apply for an insurance policy for each employee under the license of an insurance trainee working for Law. This allowed the insurance trainee to receive credit for meeting performance goals while Law took commissions received from each policy. The insurance trainee was unaware the policies Law created under her license were fraudulent.

Justin Marc Taylor, an American Family agent, pled guilty to insurance fraud, a 3rd degree felony, on October 2, 2014. Taylor was sentenced to 30 days of home confinement, 36 month probation, and pay restitution of \$1,700 to the Insurance Fraud Division for investigative costs. Taylor voluntarily surrendered his insurance license in lieu of the department taking administrative action against him for not meeting character requirements for holding an insurance license.

Taylor, an insurance agent for American Family, insured a vehicle in the name of one coconspirator, knowing that this person did not own the vehicle and that the vehicle would be destroyed by a third co-conspirator. The vehicle was reported stolen. An insurance claim was made in the amount of \$22,200. The fraud was discovered before the claim was paid.

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